

AMENDMENT

In the Specification

Please replace paragraph 75 on page 19 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0075] For scFv fragments, light and/or heavy chain variable regions are linked using a short linking peptide. Bird et al. (1998) Science 242:423-426. An example of a linking peptide is (GGGGS)₃ (SEQ ID NO:5), which bridges approximately 3.5 nm between the carboxy terminus of one variable region and the amino terminus of the other variable region. Linkers of other sequences have been designed and used. Bird et al. (1988). Usually the linkers are selected to have little to no immunogenicity. For asymmetrical linkers, the scFvs can be assembled in any order. Generally, the entire variable regions are included in the scFv, which may be produced either recombinantly or synthetically.